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Notice to Stockmen.

The second annual meeting of the Texas Live Stock association will meet at Austin, Texas, on the SECOND TUKS-DAY, THE STH DAY OF JANUARY, 1884. All members are notified and all men interested in live stock are respectfully invited to attend. This meeting is held in pursuance to adjournment of last annual meeting.

J. F. MILLER,

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To Our Exchanges.

As a general reply to a note of inquiry sent us, we again invite all our newspaper friends who may so desire to send a copy of their papers regularly to the GAZETTE branch office, corner Pennsylvania avenue and 4) street, Washington, D. C. Our representative there will file all papers, so that visitors will find them easy of access. and it may result in substantial benefit to such papers.

1) the Galveston News is the leading Democratic paper in Texas, it would be well to hunt up the party.

WHEN congress meets after the holiday recess and buckles down to work, the country may listen for news from that ways and means committee.

IT would be well for the Galveston News to get another indorsement from some congressman. Nominations for the vice-presidency are now in order.

THE GAZETTE welcomes the Cleburne Chroniele to the list of law and order journalism. The good sense that usualty characterizes that able paper would not permit it to inderse fence-cutting.

Wit are told that the workmen in the Pennsylvania iron foundries have "yielded gracefully" to the reduction of wages. That is a good term to use, The man who hands over his purse and watch to the highwayman at a pistol's muzzle "yields gracefully." He can't help it.

THE GAZETTE acknowledges the receipt of an invitation to attend the Knights of Honor ball, to be given at Baird the 1st of January proximo. Also one to attend the public installation of officers and ball of Trinity Lodge No. 7, Knights of Pythlas, of January.

THE Austin Statesman doesn't need to use its shears much, in hunting up assertions of the governor's responsibility for this fence-cutting business. It need look in no paper but the News and Print of Galveston and the Dispatch of Lampasas. It is a heavy team stab the Democratic party, all things considered.

THE Galveston News may try to impress upon the newsdealers of Texas that it "is independent and indispensable." But it is useless to try it on the public men of the state. The News is independent, yes; but not indispensable. The sooner the News learns what so many others know, the sooner it will drop down to a basis of common sense and impartiality in discussing public policies and public men.

In response to Senator Van Wyck's resolution calling for papers affecting the forfeited land grant of the Texas Pacific railway company, several important documents, it is said, were not forthcoming. They could not be found. They were filed in the office of the secretary of the interior. Since these papers can only be seen by consent of the secretary of the interior, a curious question comes up in the senate and Mr. Teller must rise and explain. Congressman Payson's written brief land grant is said to have disappeared. Who stole the papers? Why were they stolen? Newell's famous Tom-Scott diary was on file with these papers in this department. Has this, too, disappeared?

Uphold the Law.

The poor man, who can call nothing

erty. His personal services would not be available without the aid of accumulations previously made and protected. Every obstruction to, or dissipation of, these accumulations is a material injury to his means of gaining a livelihood. Destruction of property and depreciation of property values in Texas by fence-cutting is not confined in its effects to property-owners whose possessions are thus directly destroyed. Indirectly its effects upon the nonproperty-holding class, who work for wages, is more disastrous than upon any other, for it deprives them of employment by reducing the means of their employers to hire. The fencecutters' plea that they wage a war-on monopolies and for the poor man cannot stand the test, for it is the poor man who suffers.

Rewards for Fence-Cutters.

The governor raises his reward for fence-cutters to \$100, and \$150 where a conviction and the extreme penalty of fine and imprisonment is imposed. The offering of rewards, unless they are large enough to stimulate professional detectives to go into the business, is not often accompanied by any effective results. The only effect it can have is to induce the to pay. The betrayal of fence-cutters by persons in year the secrets of the cutters' organizations. the lawful agents of the government to discover and punish violators of the law, they do not do so through any decertain sort of "honor among thieves," orders inviolate. If a member betrays large enough not only to tempt, but to taxes from the people. offset that sacrifice. The governor well knows that he cannot afford to he is very hopeful of results from a only remedy, and will do more good in an attitude so absurd. than all the rewards the state can

Congressional Places. Texas is not numerously but very properly represented on the staff of Doorkeeper Wintersmith. It seems that Messrs, Wellborn and Mills stood aloof from the rest of the Texas delegation and made special terms with the appointing powers—Wintersmith Clark. When the facts became known the rest of the Texas delegation had no participation, except as Wintersmith and Mills and Wellborn chose to arrange matters, in the distribution lottery tickets. One the prize fell to Judge Reagan which he gave to Judge Hancock, and a sort of "quarter ticket" held by another Texas member secured a place which he properly disposed of. They seemed happy in playing "lone hands." It signifies nothing to these members of congress, but if they would deal generously in giving Gainesville, Texas, on the third day of places to their constituents, and wisev. as do members from other states, they should have conferred with one another, demanded their proper quota of public plunder, and dispensed it fairly among place-mea coming from their several districts. In the senate the fruits of victory, or, for this case, generous concessions made by the Republican majority to the Democratic totear down a popular governor and minority, were regularly disposed of by the Democratic senatorial caucus. When the causus met and it was known that six or seven subordingle chairmanships were given by the Republicans to the Democrats, the latter followed the old rule of the minority party in the senate and gave these chairmanships to the oldest Demoeratic senators and these chairmanships were thus given by the caucus to those senators who had been longest in office. Maxey came to Washington two years before Coke and thus, by prescriptive right, was given a committee and a clerk, and this was done most properly by the caucus and not, as stated, by Republican action or because of Republican preferences. For the same reason the Democratic caucus gave a chairmanship to Jones of Florida. He and Maxey, it happens, both deserve these places, given to them by the Democratic caucus, simply because of their seniority as senators. The "honor" done has this siguificance and no more-letter-writers have misconstrued the facts and given

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not properly belong to them.

The Galveston News charges Gov. managing the affairs of state, If peruses its editorial columns that meant anything but a mere in- as a tise its enmity, it certainly implied iticians and the entire caste of charachis own, is equally interested with the that the governor had been unfaithful ters are killed off at the pleasure of was immediately discharged. upholding the inviolability of proppeople and the constitution. But when that the pedigree of a bailled and disthe wires broke them down, the land lay in not notifying the owner and lay in not notifying the owner and the constitution. But when that the pedigree of a bailled and disthe wires broke them down, the land lay in not notifying the owner and lay in not notifying the damage immediately.

But with this the public had nothing the wires broke them down, the land lay in not notifying the owner and lay in not notifying the own

challenged to test the policy of the governor on the constitution, the News is significantly silent.

The News says the gov erner should enforce the laws. The constitution says that the civil authorities shall undertake that duty except under certain provisos which the governor has already utilized to the fullest extent.

The News says that private resistance and retaliation by the fence owners is officially advised. The truth of this statement is challenged, and unless proved by facts and not the barren evidence of its own assumption the News stands convicted of willful slander.

would shift the News The responsibility for the entire reign of the fence-cutter upon the executive. To be consistent why does it not charge him with promot ing the carrying of concealed weapons, the prevalence of garabling, the robbing of hen-roosts and other misdemeanors?

The News declares that the state treasury is financially embarrassed. This is simple and undiluted prevarication and that is all there is about it.

The News says tax-collectors find a large percentage of tax-payers unable collections this closer than were ever before, and the aggregated re-This is not a popular thing to do in turns from all the counties make a bet-this country. "Informers" are de-ter showing, proportionally, than the spised ever where. Though they assist | collections on local assessment of any city in the state.

The News declares that the eash balance has melted away in about sire for the triumph of law, but for twelve months. A convenient memthe base purpose of gain. There is a ory, perhaps, caused it to neglect to explain that this same cash balance and there is an unwritten code of was accumulated under a tax rate honor amongst all lawless organiza- thirty-three and one-third per cent. tions that holds the secrets of their higher than the one under which it has dwindled down. It also overhis associates, he must at once put looked the fact that the policy himself out of the reach of their ven- of the administration has always been geance, and where this sacrifice is to against a large cash balance as reprebe made, the price of betrayal must be senting the extortion of unnecessary

The News says we have a costly state government. Will it please itemoffer rewards liberal enough to procure | ize the extravagance? In fact, while informers," and it is not likely that the News is slinging its slush at Gov. Ireland and the Democratic party, reward of \$100 or \$150. It rests with would it object to interspersing a few local officers to stop fence-cutting. A facts and figures just to vary the movigorous and relentless war by the notony of the thing? The jabberings sheriffs of the counties where the cut- of childish rage will only excite riditers are at work, backed up by a local | cule, and the GAZETTE dislikes to see sentiment in favor of the law, is the its contemporary on the gulf placed

Mashed on Mahone. The extraordinary and unwarranted attacks of the Gaiveston News upon the chief executive of Texas for failing to suppress fence-cutting would be amusing from their very absurdity were it not that as indications of the programme of the opposition to the Democratic party in the state they are given peculiar prominence and neces sitate serious criticism. The joining of its interests with Texas "Independentism" will excite but little surprise in the public mind, which from long observation is familiar with the conolls in January. One of the rules is that sistently inconsistent course of the News. It matters but little what incites the policy of a paper; the public is only concerned in rending aright the eads which are sought to be attained, and it has doubtless ere this-with the GAZETTE-resented the assaults of the News as aimed at the Democratic party rather than Gov. Ireland. It is a matter of public record that the News was content to be considered a Democratic Journal when it upled the position supreme law-giver of the party, when counsels were received par, and when taffied or bullied congressmen satisfied the cravings of an inordinate ambition by a recognition of it as "the leading Democratic daily in the state." The absolute dominion it assumed is best evidenced by the savageness of its assaults upon every leader in the party who dared to act upon his own impulses and without its advice and consent. Men whose history is a part of the record of the Democratic party in one of my many converts. Texas have been vilified and abused, not for any violation of Democratic principles, but because they held themselves responsible alone to the party and their own conscience, and not to a journal whose arrogance had prematurely developed the whimsical vagaries of age. Each Democratic admiristration since the war has been attacked in turn by this Daniel of Democracy, and the cordial indorsement of each administration by the people was a sufficient rebuke to the malevolence which inspired it. It is ical history of the state not in the course of his career scal the record of his personal integrity by drawing the fire of the News. Thus it has become a notorious fact, at least to votion to his party was the antagon-

appointed boss may not be forgotten.
The Democratic party of Texas declines to sacrifice John Ireland on the altar of its rage and forsooth is threatally with speedy dissolution. It must, however, be a timid heart indeed which can be intimidated by the threats of the News. Who has it ever overthrown and what danger does its enmity imply? The ghost of George P. Finlay is hardly sufficient evidence of influence on which to back its demands for the manipulation of the party reins. The

people now and the News must discover ere long to its sorrow that Galveston is not Texas, or the News a controlling power in state politics. If it chooses to cement its alliance to the opposition, the defection need not be long lamented and no loss will be perceptible except the absence of a troublesome, arrogant, imperious disciple of Mahoneism.

YALE college has 1,092 students this

A TAMPA, Fla., gardener is planting five acres in beets.

FLORIDA is utilizing convicts on

way to church last Sunday. A NEW YORK florist claims to sell ten thousand rosebuds every day,

P. T. BARNUM says in a recent letter that he has but one disease-old age,

LOUISIANA has suffered nearly \$18, 000,000 damages by the floods during the pre-

ALGERIA has a Mussulman populaion of 2,800,000, and of 460,000 Christians and MOUNT HOOD, Washington territo-

ty, is said to be giving evidences of volcanic SOUR LAKE is said to possess the largest assistant postmaster in the United

ST. AUGUSTINE, Fla., pays 12 cents abarrel for opster shells to improve her roads.

CHAIRMAN SABIN'S annual income s \$100,000-enough to save Indiana with any THE state of Wisconsin reports 13,

106 marriages, 12,544 births, and 4,684 deaths THE highest price ever paid for

Washington land, says the Capital, was \$6 B square foot, Mr. John Hay being the pur-BEN BUTLER will retire from the Massachusetts state house next month, and

Boston will then have an evacuation day to SARA BERNHARDT apparently believes that the story of her life is not a propething to publish, and perhaps she is right

academy. New Hampshire, have been gov ernors of states, the list including Cass, Ev crett, Burler and Dix. PROP. ALPHEUS S. PACKARD OF

Twelve graduates of Phillips Exeter

Rowdoln college, who is now in his eighty-fifth year, said the other day that he has never been fil a day in his life. THE Democratic editors of Indiana

are to hold a state convention at Indianap

every man must bring his own bottle. ELLEN TERRY may be a great actress, but she evidently has a soft spot some where. A Boston gentleman asked for her autograph and she wrote upon a card: "Phose

who love me call me Nellie.

Subsidy Pomerov has an amendment to Elaine's scheme. He would distribnte all surplus revenues among the people giving each man, woman and child some-thing. This is the first intimation the world has had that "Old Pom" had a large family.

THE Republicans of the North have a high opinion of their brethren at the South The last man to interview the Southern del gates," said a party leader at Washington is the one who will get their votes. thirds of them will not be at the convention at all unless some one pays their expenses,';

THOMAS HARRISON, the boy preach , denies that he contemplates wedding the lady to whom it is said he is engaged. He writes: "I am not a candidate for matri-mony, all rumors to the contrary natwithstanding. I never heard of the young lady to whom I am reported engaged, and do not know her from Adam, though she may be

A LITTLE girl having been taken down with searlet fever, the little one cried as she said to the doctor: "If I should die and go to heaven. I wouldn't know any of play with," Again, she told her mother to end word to Santa Claus that he had better come to her house last, so he wouldn't give the searlet fever to any other children.

WILLIAM R. MORRISON is charged with rank discourtesy to Mayor Harrison of Chicago. An applicant for office, bearing recommendation from Carter H., called on Morrison at Washington and showed his credentials. "Take it away," said gressman, imperiously, when he gazed on difficult to recall in the polit- the mayor's sign manual; "get some other indorsement. This isn't worth a dash here, single prominent Democrat who did If Morrison ever reaches the White House it will be over the bleeding corpses of the Chiago city hall magnates

In January, 1882, a young man named Emerick was committed to an insane those who have mingled to any extent of members of his family. Soon after he obof sixty pages on the subject of this them a meaning and force that does in state politics, that the best letter of tained permission to visit the superint and recommendation that any politician ent, and in a conversation with him, procould desire as evincing a staiwart de-votion to his party was the autagon, which was to be an evidence of his sanity ism of the News. Its course in local intendent laughed at the proposition, but Ireland with "criminal inertness" in issues is so proverbial that the public | finally consented to the plan, and Emerica commenced his work. He was provided with the material with which to make every artispecies of delightful geniousness of phraseology to adver- political fiction, where statesmen, pol- out a beautiful and substantial piece of work

his shoulder, and his umbrella and switch in his hand, and saddled his horse and rode away to church. One Sunday morning the boy was tardy. The time coming for the aged minister to go, he gathered his saddle, um brella and switch and, going to the tree, his sorse not being there, he walked away to the church, carrying the saddle. Going to the tree where he usually hitched his horse, he hung up his saddle, took his umbrella and switch into the church, preached, and com-ing out took his saddle on his shoulder and went home.

FOR the first time since its incorporation as a town, nearly 230 years ago, New ondon, Conn., has a marriage license on its books. The instrument is remarkable in many respects. It was drawn by a well. It was drawn by a wellknown attorney in New London last month, and was placed upon record in the town clerk's office on the 17th of November. The parties to the contract reside, or did reside at the time, in Groton, and the nuptials were celebrated in that town within a few weeks, The fact that such a record was in existence in New London was known to but few. ording to its terms the contracting parties agree to marry, the man relinquishes any claim he might have over her property through marriage, each agree that the survivor of the couple shall have all the property of the deceased, and that if no will has seen made this agreement shall furnish title A NEW YORK lady fell dead on her to the property.

A Campaign Slander.

[Chicago Times.] Anybody that wears socks Athens, Tex., is put down as a dude. in

Coming Up Quietly, as it Were.

The Republican candidates are afraid of each other, and are approaching the presidency with gum shoes on.

> Will Get There, Eli. (Morgan Argonaut.

The Fort Worth GAZETTE is on regular Christmas boom. Go it, GA-ZETTE, you'll get there after a while.

A Busy Season.

[Chicago Herald.] Between the presidential campaign, base ball and horse racing, next summer will be a busy season for pool-room

statesmen.

De Angry-Saxon Race. The day after the defeat of Mahone in Virginia, a Richmond darkey was \$50, the class retary and heard to exclaim: "I ain't no readjuster, I'm just a nigger. Dey ain't no use in tryin' to beat dis Angry-Saxon

A Little Old State Fooling Itself.

(Springfield (Mass.) Republican.] The talk about Logan as a presidential candidate is not heard outside of Washington, where half the politicians and journalistic observers are power of the of the railmade ready at any time to swallow the moon as a bit of green cheese. Fortunately, the country is a great deal bigger than its capital, and Gen. Logan is simply not to be thought of.

Shoot 'Em Down.

The governor should promptly offer \$1,000 reward for the apprehension of the men who set fire to the ranch of Turner & Young, near Brownwood. It was an outrage, for which the law and was an outrage, for which the law and society call for vengcance. The incendiaries may have been according to wonder how the law and for the society call for vengcance. The incendiaries may have been according to the law and for the society call for vengcance. cendiaries may have been exercising more congents of "natural rights" by these sets, but the exist in bodies. In owners, too, would have exercised sarrely it must be remarked in the result of the same willains and shot them down in their The Baptists, Melling and shot them down in their The Baptists, Melling and shot them down in their The Baptists, Melling and shot them down in their the Baptists, Melling and shot them down in their the Baptists, Melling and shot them down in their the Baptists, Melling and shot them down in their the Baptists, Melling and shot them down in their them. tracks. These outrages have reached berland Presign

Savagery North and South.

Cincinnati Commercial Gazette (B. Shirt.)

No other land can furnish a parallel in barbarity to that of the South, from Zululand and Congo, Ashanter and Abyssinin, there is a specific place in the south of the So No other land can furnish a parallel in barbarity to that of the South. From Zululand and Congo, Ashantee and Abyssinia, through the nomadic Bedouins, the Bashi-Bazouks, the half-civilized tribes of Western Asia, to the savage rule of the Czar, with his endless procession of political prisoners to Siberia, not one nor all can equal the reign of savagery which exists in the South. xists in the South.

A man was taken to the Ninth street of cotton of

A man was taken to the Ninth street station house yesterday for twice atstation house yesterday for twice attempting to murder an infant child—
his own. Is the administration of
justice in this city so hideous a farce
that this man cannot be put out of the
that this man cannot be put out of the

Capacity of the Asylum. Austin Statesman

The capacity of the lunatic asylums at Austin and Terrell is for 200 patients, while there are 800 applicants. Where will the other 600 go?

Where will the other 600 go?

The above paragraph has been going the rounds of the press, and nothing could be more untrue. The present accommodation for lunatics in the Austin asylum is for 500, and just as soon as improvements, now under progress, are completed, it will give room for over 000. These improvements will be finished very soon. The Terrell asylum, when completed, will give accommodation to 500 lunatics. It is, therefore, certain that over 900 patients will be accommodated in these two asylums, and it is possible that the space may be so carefully commended as to give room for 1,000. Still there will be left within the limits of the state at least 600 insane persons lunguage. its of the state at least 600 insane per-sons unprovided for.

It Did Do It.

It Did Do H.

ISAN Angelo Enterprise.]

The Fort Worth GAZETTE is one of the leading papers, not only of Texas, but of the United States. The skill and energy displayed in its management fills most newspaper men with admiration, not untinctured with envy. But the GAZETTE now and then does get off wrong! A striking instance of this was seen in a late editorial on Lieuf. Allen now stationed at Fort Concho and adjutant of the post. Mr. Allen is denounced in terms, among of the support Mr. Allen is denounced in terms, where severity and in justice are about where severity and in justice are about equally mingled, as a fence-cutter. The facts in the case are these: Mr. Allen, in company with some other officers, late one evening, driving through Mr. John Nasworthy's pasture, raised a post and in driving over the wires broke them down, the fault lay in not notifying the owner and

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